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SUBJECT: KUWAITI FON MIN COMMENTS TO PRESS ON US AND KUWAITI  
MIDDLE EAST POLICY

REF: KUWAIT 0445

NEARLY ALL KUWAITI PAPERS JAN. 24 CARRY REMARKS TO NEWSMEN

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BY KUWAITI FON MIN SHEIKH SABAH AL-AHMAD AFTER JAN. 23

MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR (REPORTED REFTEL). OUR TRANSLATION

OF THE FON MIN'S REPORTED QUOTES IN DAILY AL-WATAN FOLLOWS:

"THE POLICY FOLLOWED BY WASHINGTON IN THE ISRAELI/ARAB

CRISIS WILL BE OF NO BENEFIT AND WILL NOT RESULT IN A

SOLUTION TO THE CRISIS. THE US MUST UNDERSTAND THAT

SOLUTION OF THIS CRISIS WILL NOT BE POSSIBLE AS LONG AS

IT CONTINUES MILITARY SUPPLY OF ISRAEL. IF THE US WERE  
SERIOUS...IT WOULD HAVE STOPPED SUPPLYING ISRAEL WITH  
ITS ARMS REQUIREMENTS, WHICH HAS CHANGED ISRAEL INTO A  
HUGE WAR ARSENAL. THIS OPINION REPRESENTS THE FULL  
KUWAITI VIEW AND I HAVE REPORTED IT TO MR. FRANK MAESTRONE  
DURING A MEETING BETWEEN US, AND I ASKED HIM TO  
CONVEY IT TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS COUNTRY. WE SHALL  
SEEK WITH THE OTHER SISTER ARAB COUNTRIES TO ACHIEVE  
PEACE BASED ON JUSTICE, AND WE SHALL REMAIN FAITHFUL TO  
THE PLO IN ITS CAPACTIY AS SOLE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE  
OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE." OTHER PAPERS QUOTED THE FON  
MIN AS EMPHASIZING THAT PEACE CANNOT COME TO THE MIDDLE  
EAST WITHOUT "FRESH" OR "NEW" US PRESSURE ON  
ISRAEL TO CHANGE ITS ATTITUDE, WHICH WAS CHARACTERIZED  
AS "ARROGANT."  
MAESTRONE

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